

*Proposition 12 is a cruel betrayal of animals and voters.*

The argument for Proposition 12 consists entirely of platitudes, and it avoids any mention of United Egg Producers, the *acceptance* of CAGES through at least 2022, allowing just *ONE SQUARE FOOT* of space per hen, or any other specifics about what the initiative actually *does*.

In other words, the scandal-ridden Humane Society of the United States is back to its old tricks.

The same group that said California hens would be cage free by 2015, that Michael Vick would be a "good pet owner," that embraces SeaWorld, and lost millions of dollars in a Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act lawsuit, is back.

HSUS is *again* promising to ban egg-industry cages -- even though it famously spent the last decade claiming that it *already did!*

Meanwhile, they're attacking whistleblowers.

*"We know when a charity fails the most basic obligations of trust. Instead of attacking women who've suffered abuse, HSUS should change its own culture."*  
-- National Organization of Women

When women mobilized against the toxic culture at HSUS, it stemmed from multiple allegations of sexual harassment and misconduct against Proposition 12's chief architect, now former CEO, Wayne Pacelle. HSUS's first response was to question the *women's* integrity.

That tactic is now being used against conscientious animal advocates opposed to Proposition 12.

The inescapable reality is this: If not for HSUS's negligence, California hens would be cage-free *at this very moment*. Let's not fall for the same trick -- twice.

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